



Westport Municipal Advisory Council

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Summary Minutes—December 4, 2012

The WMAC convened for a meeting on December 4, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Westport Community Church in Westport.

1) ROLL CALL

Roll call was conducted with directors Grigg, Knapp, Scott, Van Bueren, and Vidaver present. Director Vidaver agreed to take notes in Director Eyerly's absence. Director Van Bueren presided and Director Scott served as a voting member. One member of the public was in attendance.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Knapp made a motion and director Scott seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2012 meeting. There was no discussion of the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

3) Public Expression – (Discussion Only) – None

4) New Business—Discussion and Possible Action

a) Haul Road Trail Grant Support Letter (Van Bueren) was reviewed and discussed by Council. Director Scott moved to approve and send letter, Director Grigg seconded. Motion approved with Director Vidaver abstaining.

b) Calfire fee (Eyerly) Public member Gary Quinton reported that fire fees are being applied only to residences while most fire fighting costs are incurred on non-residential lands. Director Vidaver moved, Director Scott seconded, WMAC research the issue and write a letter to our State Legislators to look into this possible inequitable share of cost. Motion carried. Director Knapp will work with Mr. Quinton to draft a letter to be reviewed at the next meeting.

5) Old Business—Discussion and Possible Action

a) PCBR plan (see: http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist1/d1transplan/system_planning/pcbr-cct.htm) Director Grigg moved, Director Scott seconded WMAC write letter supporting action on the two high-priority projects in our jurisdiction.

b) Passing Opportunities on Route 1 (Scott) Director Scott reported on an on-site Caltrans review of WMAC recommendations of potential passing/turn-out spots between Westport & the Caltrans staging area south of the Ten Mile River. The local Caltrans engineer responded as follows: passing opportunities WMAC recommended, MP 72.5 is "too undulating"; Ten Mile bridge is "not safe." Re: the designation of an official "turnout" south of the Ten Mile Bridge, "move forward." During the site-visit other potential turnouts were identified at Charbourne Gulch. Director Scott will continue communicating with Caltrans.

6) **Announcements/Correspondence—(Discussion Only)** Director Grigg announced that the Westport Church in conjunction with the Fort Bragg School District has agreed to allow the Mendocino Coast Recreation and Park District use of the school building for local community programs. Director Vidaver announced that the Marine Life Protection Act designated protected areas for our area go into effect December 18, 2012. All agreed to send a letter of appreciation and Thad’s history book called *Belonging to Places* (2012) to Supervisor Kendall Smith, on her retirement, in recognition of her supportive relationship with the WMAC.

7) Set preliminary agenda for next meeting:

- a) Review Calfire fees draft letter (Knapp)
- b) Update on discussions with Caltrans about Route improvements (Scott)

8) Adjournment at 8:15 PM.

Thad Van Bueren, Chair

ATTEST:

Judy Vidaver in behalf of
Chuck Eyerly, Secretary